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Description

CLAIM OF PRIORITY

[0001] This application claims the benefit of Korean Patent Application No. 2005-113834 filed on November 25, 2005, in the Korean Intellectual Property Office.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

[0002] The present invention relates to a high power Light Emitting Diode (LED) package, particularly, in which the height of a sidewall is shortened to improve beam angle characteristics of emission light, increase light quantity, and prevent a molding defect of the sidewall.

Description of the Related Art

[0003] A Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) does not have a tight source of its own, and thus requires an external illumination, which is generally referred to as a backlight unit. The backlight unit illuminates the LCD from the back and uses a Cold Cathode Fluorescent Lamp (CCFL) or an LED as a light source.

[0004] FIGS. 1 and 2 show a general backlight unit 1 in use for the LCD. Referring to FIGS. 1 and 2, the backlight unit 1 includes a plurality of LED packages 10, a light guide plate 20, a reflector sheet 24, a diffuser sheet 26 and a pair of prism sheets 28. With this arrangement, light incident from the LED package 10 into the light guide plate 20 is directed to an LCD panel 30 above, providing backlighting to the LCD.

[0005] Describing it in more detail, the LED package 10 includes an LED chip 12, cathode and anode leads 14 for supplying power to the LED chip 12 seated thereon, a package body 16 holding the leads 14 and an encapsulant 18 of a transparent resin filled into a cavity C of the package body 16 to encapsulate the LED chip 12 as shown in FIGS. 3 and 4.

[0006] Light beams L1 to L3 generated from the LED chip 12 are introduced into the light guide plate 20, and travel inside the light guide plate 20 before being scattered at a dot pattern 22. When the light beam L1 is scattered upward at the dot pattern 22, it exits the light guide plate 20, thereby reaching the LCD panel 30 through the diffuser plate 26 and the prism sheet 28.

[0007] Describing the LED package 10 in more detail with reference to FIGS. 3 and 4, the cavity C of the LED package 10 where the encapsulant 18 is filled has a depth d generally of 600 μ m to 650 μ m. The depth d is determined mainly by the mounting height t of the LED chip 12, the height h1 of a loop of a wire W and the height h2 from the wire W up to the top surface of the encapsulant 18.

[0008] When the depth d has a larger value, the height

h1 + h2 from the top surface of the LED chip 12 to the top surface of the encapsulant 18 also increases. This, however, brings in following problems.

[0009] First, this restricts the beam angle α of the light emitted out of the LED package 10. When the beam angle α is smaller, the backlight unit 1 must use more LED packages 10.

[0010] Second, as can be seen from FIG. 5, when light beams L generated from the LED chip 12 are emitted in the direction of arrow A, a partial light beam L1 collides against a sidewall 17 of the LED package 10. When collided against the side wall 17, the light beam 17 is lost due to for example absorption / scattering. This reduces the entire light quantity emitted out of the LED package 10. The light quantity decreases more when the sidewall 17 is higher, that is, the cavity depth d in Fig. 4 is larger.

[0011] Third, the higher sidewall 17 may cause more easily a molding defect such as a void in an upper or lower portion of the sidewall 17. This may take place particularly in a portion designated with the reference sign I in Fig. 3. With the molding defect, the LED package 10 is degraded in performance, and sometimes, should be discarded.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

[0012] The present invention has been made to solve the foregoing problems of the prior art and therefore an aspect of the present invention is to provide a side view LED package in which the height of a sidewall is shortened to improve beam angle characteristics of emission light, increase light quantity, and prevent a molding defect of the sidewall.

[0013] According to an aspect of the invention there is provided a side view LED package in accordance with claim 1.

[0014] Preferably a height from the top surface of the light emitting diode chip to a top end of the cavity is 320 μ m or less.

[0015] It is also preferable that the second width of the cavity is from 1.5mm to 1.7mm at the bottom of the cavity.

[0016] According to another aspect of the invention, there is provided an LCD backlight unit in accordance with claim 4.

[0017] Optional features of this aspect of the invention are set out in the claims hereof depending from Claim 4.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0018] The above and other objects, features and other advantages of the present invention will be more clearly understood from the following detailed description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view illustrating a general backlight unit incorporating side view LED packages; Fig. 2 is a perspective plan view of the backlight unit shown in Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a front elevation view of a conventional side view LED package;

Fig. 4 is a cross-sectional view of Fig. 3;

Fig. 5 is a cross-sectional view illustrating light absorption by sidewalls in the LED package shown in Fig. 4;

Fig. 6 is a cross-sectional view illustrating an LED package of the invention;

Fig. 7 is a cross-sectional view illustrating an exemplary wire bonding within the LED package of the invention;

[0019] FIG. 8 is a cross-sectional view illustrating another exemplary wire bonding within the LED package of the invention;

[0020] FIG. 9 is a cross-sectional view illustrating light emission from the LED package of the invention;

[0021] FIG. 10 is a graph illustrating brightness levels according to several versions of the LED package of the invention;

[0022] FIG. 11 is a graph illustrating beam angle characteristics of the LED package of the invention;

[0023] FIG. 12 is a graph illustrating beam angle characteristics of a conventional LED package;

[0024] FIGS. 13 to 15 are graphs illustrating beam angle characteristics according to several versions of the LED package; and

[0025] FIG. 16 is a graph illustrating the percent defective in injection molding of package bodies according to the width of recesses in LED packages.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

[0026] The present invention will now be described more fully hereinafter with reference to the accompanying drawings, in which preferred embodiments of the invention are shown.

[0027] FIG. 6 is a cross-sectional view illustrating an LED package 100 according to an embodiment of the invention.

[0028] Referring to FIG. 6, the side view LED package 100 of the invention is applied to the backlight unit 1 as shown in FIG. 1. The LED package 100 includes an LED chip 102, first and second lead frames 104 for supplying power to the LED chip 102 seated thereon, a package body 106 injection-molded to hold the first and second lead frames 104 and an encapsulant of a transparent resin filled in a cavity C of the package body 106 to encapsulate the LED chip 102.

[0029] The LED package 100 according to this embodiment of the invention has an improvement in the cavity C in order to improve light quantity and beam angle. The height of a sidewall of the LED package 100, that is, the depth d of the cavity C is set to be larger than the height t of the LED chip 102 but not exceeding six (6) times of the same. Considering a typical LED chip mounting height (e.g., in the range from 50 μ m to 200 μ m), the

depth d of the cavity C is set to be 200 μ m to 180 μ m. This is remarkably smaller than the cavity depth (600 μ m to 650 μ m) of the afore-described conventional LED package 10 (see FIG. 4).

[0030] Accordingly, the beam angle of light emitted out of the LED package 100 can be improved to be advantageously applied to the backlight unit. Describing it in more detail, in case of application to the backlight unit, LED packages with a larger beam angle can be decreased in number with respect to those with a smaller beam angle.

[0031] This structure also lowers the probability of light generated from the LED chip 102 to collide against the sidewall 107 so that light absorption/scattering by the sidewall 107 can be reduced to increase light quantity emitted out of the LED package 100.

[0032] FIG. 9 shows light emission from the LED package 100 of this embodiment. As shown in FIG. 9, when light beams L are emitted from the focus F of the LED chip 102, most of the light beams L advance in the direction of arrow A without colliding against the sidewall 107. This can reduce light loss greatly, thereby raising light intensity greatly.

[0033] Furthermore, with reduction in the depth d of the cavity C, the sidewall 107 is also lowered in height. This can advantageously prevent a molding defect designated with the reference sign I in FIG. 3 that otherwise would readily take place in the injection molding of the package body.

[0034] With the LED package 100 of this embodiment adjusted in the depth d of the cavity C, it is possible to improve the performance of the LED package 100 as a light source and reduce any defects in the injection molding as well.

[0035] In general, as shown in FIG. 6, the side view LED package 100 has an electric connection of the LED chip 102 with the first and second LED frames 104 that can be realized by wires W.

[0036] In this case, the cavity depth is required to be larger than the wire height h₁₁ + t so that the wires W provided as an electrically connecting member can be arranged inside the transparent encapsulant. Like this, the wires W become a factor limiting the reduction of the depth d of the cavity C. In order to overcome this problem, an aspect of the invention provides an approach to reduce the height of the wires.

[0037] Now a wire bonding inside the LED package will be described with reference to FIGS. 7 and 8.

[0038] Each of FIGS. 7 and 8 shows an LED chip 102 mounted on a lead frame 104 by means of an adhesive layer 103.

[0039] Referring to FIG. 7, the wire W is connected at one end to the LED chip 102 with a bump ball B. At the other end, the wire W is terminated with a stitch S that is connected to the lead frame 104.

[0040] With this type of wire bonding, the height h₁₁ of the wire W from the LED chip 102 to the top of the wire loop can be decreased to 150 μ m. However, it is difficult

to decrease the height h''_{11} of the wire W further. This is because the wire should be looped to a specific height above the LED chip 102 after being bonded to the LED chip 102.

[0041] On the contrary, referring to FIG. 8, the wire W is bonded at one end to the lead frame 104 with a bump ball B and terminated at the other end with a stitch S on the LED chip 102 to electrically connect the LED chip 102 with the lead frame 104.

[0042] In this arrangement, the height h''_{11} of the wire above the LED chip 102 can be further reduced from that shown in FIG. 7. This is because, when the wire W is looped upward to a total height ($= h''_{11} + t$) from the lead frame 104 to which the wire W is bonded with the bump ball B, the mounting height t of the LED chip is included in the total height of the wire loop.

[0043] That is, when the wire bonding processes shown in FIGS. 7 and 8 are carried out with the same equipment and method, the total height $h''_{11} + t$ of the wire W as shown in FIG. 8 can be substantially the same as the partial, height h''_{11} of the wire above the LED chip 102 as shown in FIG. 7. accordingly, the cavity depth d of FIG. 8 can be set to be remarkably smaller than that of FIG. 7.

[0044] In the wire bonding of FIG. 8, the height h''_{11} of the wire W from the LED chip 102 can be reduced to the order of $100\mu\text{m}$ or less, and preferably, to about $70\mu\text{m}$.

[0045] With the wire bonding as described above, it is possible to reduce the height necessary for the wire bonding remarkably from the prior art and thus decrease the cavity depth d remarkably.

[0046] Accordingly, with the wire bonding structure as shown in FIG. 8, it is possible to easily produce a side view LED package having a cavity depth d in the range from $200\mu\text{m}$ to $480\mu\text{m}$.

[0047] The cavity depth d may be preferably $200\mu\text{m}$ or more to ensure a suitable thickness of transparent resin, which will encapsulate the LED chip and/or wires not to be exposed to the external environment, considering the total height $h''_{11} + t$ of the wire W or the maximum mounting height of the LED chip in a case where the wire bonding structure is not adopted.

[0048] Considering a following transparent resin filling process, to further promote effects resulting from the improvement in the cavity, the cavity depth is more preferably $250\mu\text{m}$ to $400\mu\text{m}$, and still more preferably on the order of $300\mu\text{m}$.

[0049] As another aspect, the invention provides an approach to suitably control the width of the cavity in view of the resin filling process for the transparent encapsulant and the percent defective in the injection molding of the package body.

[0050] Referring to the side view LED package 100 shown in FIG. 6, it is more desirable that the cavity depth d is smaller. However, as a drawback, the smaller cavity depth d causes difficulty to the resin filling process. This as a result requires precise procedures to fill the transparent resin such as silicone into the cavity C to form the

transparent encapsulant. In particular, since the entire cavity C becomes smaller when the cavity depth d is reduced, it is required to precisely inject a small amount of resin into the cavity.

[0051] In general, the cavity has a first width in the shortest width direction (i.e., transverse width) and a second width P in the longest width direction (i.e., longitudinal width) perpendicular to the transverse direction. In this case, the resin filling process can be carried out efficiently.

[0052] However, when the longitudinal width of the cavity is increased excessively, injection molding may readily cause defects to the package body 107 as illustrated in and described with reference to FIG. 3. Accordingly, the longitudinal width of the cavity is preferably restricted to a predetermined range.

[0053] The inventors have investigated the percent defective in the injection molding of resultant packages by increasing the cavity longitudinal width from 2.0mm to 3.0mm with other factors remaining the same. As a result, it was found that the percent defective in the injection molding sharply rises when the cavity longitudinal width P_1 exceeds 2.5mm as in the graph shown in FIG. 16.

[0054] In view of such results, the longitudinal width P_1 at the top of the cavity C is set preferably from 2.0mm to 2.5mm . Considering the angle of the inner sidewall inclined for reflection, the longitudinal width P_2 at the bottom of the cavity C is set preferably from 1.5mm to 1.7mm .

[0055] Like this, when the cavity longitudinal width P (P_1, P_2) is controlled together with the cavity depth d , a more excellent side view LED package can be provided.

[0056] FIG. 10 is a graph illustrating brightness levels according to several versions of the LED package of the invention. LED packages used in this experiment had a following structure: an LED mounting height of about $80\mu\text{m}$; and a wire height (up to the top of the wire including LED mounting height) of about $170\mu\text{m}$ to $180\mu\text{m}$.

[0057] In FIG. 10, A indicates an LED package with a cavity depth of $300\mu\text{m}$ and cavity longitudinal widths 1.5mm (bottom) and 2.0mm (top); B indicates an LED package with a cavity depth of $300\mu\text{m}$ and cavity longitudinal widths 1.5mm (bottom) and 2.2mm (top); C indicates an LED package with a cavity depth of $300\mu\text{m}$ and cavity longitudinal widths 1.7mm (bottom) and 2.2mm (top); D indicates an LED package with a cavity depth of $400\mu\text{m}$ and cavity longitudinal widths 1.5mm (bottom) and 2.2mm (top); and E indicates an LED package with a cavity depth of $400\mu\text{m}$ and cavity longitudinal widths 1.7mm (bottom) and 2.2mm (top). Here, the individual packages used an LED chip having 18mW output.

[0058] As seen from FIG. 10, it is brighter when the cavity depth is larger. Of course, the angle of the sidewall, that is, the ratio of the cavity longitudinal width at the bottom to the cavity longitudinal width at the top also affects the brightness. However, the width ratio is relatively insignificant compared to the cavity depth.

[0059] FIG. 11 is a graph illustrating beam angle char-

acteristics of an LED package of the invention, and FIG. 12 is a graph illustrating beam angle characteristics of a conventional LED package. The LED packages used in FIGS. 11 and 12 had a chip mounting height and a wire height similar to those shown in FIG. 10.

[0060] As a difference, the side view LED package of the invention had a cavity depth of 300 μ m and the conventional side view LED package had a cavity depth of 650 μ m.

[0061] Observing beam angle characteristics of the LED packages, the LED package of the invention had beam angles of 114.2° in X axis (width direction of the LED package) and 115.3° in Y axis (thickness direction of the LED package perpendicular to the width direction). On the other hand, the conventional LED package had beam angles of 111.5° in X axis and 91.7° in Y axis. From these numeric values, it is apparent that the beam angle characteristics were improved in the invention.

[0062] FIGS. 13 to 15 are graphs illustrating beam angle characteristics according to several versions of the LED package.

[0063] Three versions of the LED package were produced and beam angles according to the individual LED package versions were observed.

[0064] The LED package in FIG. 13 had a cavity depth of 500 μ m, in which transparent resin was NMW114WA available from Otsuka of Japan and fluorescent material was G3, which were mixed at a ratio of 12:1. The beam angles A of the LED package observed in FIG. 13 were 119.6° in a longer axis, that is, the width direction of the LED package, and 105.8° in a shorter axis.

[0065] The LED package in FIG. 14 had a cavity depth of 400 μ m, in which fluorescent material transparent resin was NMW114WA available from Otsuka of Japan and fluorescent material was G3, which were mixed at a ratio of 12:1. The beam angles A of the LED package observed in FIG. 14 were 121.6° in a longer axis, that is, the width direction of the LED package, and 114.8° in a shorter axis.

[0066] The LED package in FIG. 15 had a cavity depth of 400 μ m, in which transparent resin was NMW114WA available from Otsuka of Japan and fluorescent material was TAG, which were mixed at a ratio of 12:1. The beam angles A of the LED package observed in FIG. 15 were 120.7° in a longer axis, that is, the width direction of the LED package, and 118.7° in a shorter axis.

[0067] In the side view LED package of the invention as described hereinbefore, the height of the sidewall is shortened to improve beam angle characteristics of emission light, increase light quantity, and prevent a molding defect of the sidewall.

[0068] While the present invention has been described with reference to the particular illustrative embodiments and the accompanying drawings, it is not to be limited thereto but will be defined by the appended claims. It is to be appreciated that those skilled in the art can substitute, change or modify the embodiments into various forms without departing from the scope of the present

invention.

[0069] Embodiments of the invention are :

1. A side view light emitting diode package in use for a backlight unit, comprising:

a package body having a cavity with an inner sidewall inclined between a bottom and a top; first and second lead frames arranged in the package body, the cavity of the package body exposing a portion of at least one of the first and second lead frames placed in the bottom of the cavity to outside;

a light emitting diode chip mounted on the bottom of the cavity to be electrically connected to the first and second lead frames; and a transparent encapsulant arranged in the cavity surrounding the light emitting diode chip, wherein the cavity has a depth that is larger than a mounting height of the light emitting diode chip and does not exceed six times of the mounting height.

2. The side view light emitting diode package according to embodiment 1, wherein the mounting height of the light emitting diode chip is from 50 μ m to 200 μ m.

3. The side view light emitting diode package according to embodiment 1, wherein the depth of the cavity is from 200 μ m to 480 μ m.

4. The side view light emitting diode package according to embodiment 1, further comprising wire for electrically connecting the light emitting diode chip to at least one of the first and second lead frames.

5. The side view light emitting diode package according to embodiment 4, wherein the wire has one end connected to a bump ball of the light emitting diode chip and the other end stitch-bonded to the lead frame.

6. The side view light emitting diode package according to embodiment 5, wherein the wire is arranged in such a fashion that a height from a top surface of the light emitting diode chip to a top end of the wire is 100 μ m or less.

7. The side view light emitting diode package according to one of the preceding embodiment 1, wherein the cavity has a first width in a shorter axial direction and a second width in a longer axial direction perpendicular to the shorter axial direction, and wherein the second width of the cavity is from 1.5mm to 1.7mm at the bottom of the cavity.

8. The side view light emitting diode package according to embodiment 7, wherein the second width of the cavity is from 2.0mm to 2.5mm at a top end of the cavity.

9. A side view light emitting diode package in use for a backlight unit, comprising:

a package body having a cavity with an inner sidewall inclined between a bottom and a top;
first and second lead frames arranged in the package body, the cavity of the package body exposing a portion of at least one of the first and second lead frames placed in the bottom of the cavity to outside;
a light emitting diode chip mounted on the bottom of the cavity to be electrically connected to the first and second lead frames;
a transparent encapsulant arranged in the cavity surrounding the light emitting diode chip; and
wire for electrically connecting the light emitting diode chip to at least one of the first and second lead frames, the wire having one end connected to a bump ball of the light emitting diode chip and the other end stitch-bonded to the lead frame,
wherein the depth of the cavity is from 200 μ m to 480 μ m.

10. The side view light emitting diode package according to embodiment 9, wherein the wire is arranged in such a fashion that a height from a top surface of the light emitting diode chip to a top end of the wire is 100 μ m or less.

11. A side view light emitting diode package in use for a backlight unit, comprising:

a package body having a cavity with an inner sidewall inclined between a bottom and a top;
first and second lead frames arranged in the package body, the cavity of the package body exposing a portion of at least one of the first and second lead frames placed in the bottom of the cavity to outside;
a light emitting diode chip mounted on the bottom of the cavity to be electrically connected to the first and second lead frames; and
a transparent encapsulant arranged in the cavity surrounding the light emitting diode chip,
wherein the depth of the cavity is from 200 μ m to 480 μ m, wherein the cavity has a first width in a shorter axial direction and a second width in a longer axial direction perpendicular to the shorter axial direction, and wherein the second width of the cavity is from 1.5mm to 1.7mm at the bottom of the cavity.

12. The side view light emitting diode package according to embodiment 11, wherein the second width of the cavity is from 2.0mm to 2.5mm at a top end of the cavity.

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[0070] It should be understood that various changes and modifications to the presently preferred embodiments described herein will be apparent to those skilled in the art. Such changes and modifications can be made without departing from the scope of the present invention and without diminishing its intended advantages. It is therefore intended that such changes and modifications be covered by the following claims.

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Claims

1. A side-view light emitting diode package for use in a backlight unit, comprising:

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a package body having a cavity with an inner wall inclined between a bottom and a top of the cavity;
first and second lead frames arranged in the package body;
a light emitting diode chip mounted on the bottom of the cavity and electrically connected to a portion of each of the first and second lead frames exposed at the bottom of the cavity; and
a transparent encapsulant arranged in the cavity surrounding the light emitting diode chip,
wherein a mounting height from the bottom of the cavity to a top surface of the light emitting diode chip is from 50 μ m to 200 μ m and the depth of the cavity is from 200 μ m to 480 μ m and does not exceed six times of the mounting height,
wherein the cavity has a first width in a shorter axial direction and a second width in a longer axial direction perpendicular to the shorter axial direction and the second width of the cavity is from 2.0mm to 2.5mm at the top end of the cavity.

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2. The light emitting diode package according to Claim 1, wherein a height from the top surface of the light emitting diode chip to a top end of the cavity is 320 μ m or less.

3. The light emitting diode package according to one of Claims 1 to 2, wherein the second width of the cavity is from 1.5mm to 1.7mm at the bottom of the cavity.

4. An LCD backlight unit comprising:

a light guide plate; and
a plurality of side-view LED packages emitting light to be incident on the light guide plate,

- wherein each of the LED packages comprises a package body having cavity with an inner side-wall inclined between a bottom and a top of thereof,
first and second lead frames arranged in the package body, the cavity of the package body exposing a portion of each of the first and second lead frames placed in the bottom of the cavity. a light emitting diode chip mounted on the bottom of the cavity and electrically connected to said exposed portions of the first and second lead frames; and
a transparent encapsulant arranged in the cavity surrounding the light emitting diode chip, wherein a mounting height from the bottom of the cavity to a top surface of the light emitting diode chip is from $50\mu\text{m}$ to $200\mu\text{m}$ and the depth of the cavity is from $200\mu\text{m}$ to $480\mu\text{m}$ and does not exceed six times of the mounting height, and wherein the cavity has a first width in a shorter axial direction and a second width in a longer axial direction perpendicular to the shorter axial direction and the second width of the cavity is from 2.0mm to 2.5mm at the top end of the cavity.
5. The LCD backlight unit according to Claim 4, wherein the light emitting diode package further comprises wire for electrically connecting the light emitting diode chip to at least one of the first and second lead frames.
 6. The LCD backlight unit according to Claim 5, wherein the wire has one end connected to a bump ball of the lead frame and the other end stitch-bonded to the light emitting diode chip.
 7. The LCD backlight unit according to Claim 6, wherein the wire is arranged in such a fashion that a height from a top surface of the light emitting diode chip to a top end of the wire is $100\mu\text{m}$ or less.
 8. The LCD backlight unit according to one of Claims 4 to 7, wherein the second width of the cavity is from 1.5mm to 1.7mm at the bottom of the cavity.
 9. The LCD backlight unit according to one of claims 4 to 8, wherein a height from the top surface of the light emitting diode chip to a top end of the cavity is $320\mu\text{m}$ or less.
 10. The LCD backlight unit according to one of Claims 4 to 9, wherein the transparent encapsulant contains a fluorescent material.
 11. The light emitting diode package according to one of Claims 1 to 3, wherein the depth of the cavity is from $250\mu\text{m}$ to $400\mu\text{m}$.

12. The LCD backlight unit according to one of Claims 4 to 10, wherein the depth of the cavity is from $250\mu\text{m}$ to $400\mu\text{m}$.

Patentansprüche

1. Leuchtdiodeneinheit mit seitlicher Abstrahlung zur Verwendung in einer Hintergrundbeleuchtungseinheit, umfassend:

einen Körper, der einen Hohlraum mit einer inneren Wand aufweist, die schräg zwischen einem Boden und einer Oberseite des Hohlraumes angeordnet ist;
erste und zweite Leiterrahmen, die in dem Körper angeordnet sind;
einen Leuchtdiodenchip, der am Boden des Hohlraums montiert und elektrisch mit einem am Boden des Hohlraumes freiliegenden Teil eines jeden der ersten und zweiten Leiterrahmen verbunden ist; und
eine transparente Einkapselung, die in dem Hohlraum angeordnet ist und den Leuchtdiodenchip umgibt,
wobei eine Montierhöhe vom Boden des Hohlraumes zu einer Oberseite des Leuchtdiodenchips zwischen $50\mu\text{m}$ und $200\mu\text{m}$ beträgt und die Tiefe des Hohlraumes zwischen $200\mu\text{m}$ und $480\mu\text{m}$ beträgt und nicht größer als sechsmal die Montierhöhe ist,
wobei der Hohlraum eine erste Breite in einer kürzeren axialen Richtung und eine zweite Breite in einer längeren axialen Richtung lotrecht zur kürzeren axialen Richtung aufweist und die zweite Breite des Hohlraumes zwischen 2,0 mm und 2,5 mm am Oberende des Hohlraumes beträgt.

2. Leuchtdiodeneinheit nach Anspruch 1, wobei eine Höhe von der Oberseite des Leuchtdiodenchips zu einem Oberende des Hohlraumes $320\mu\text{m}$ oder weniger beträgt.

3. Leuchtdiodeneinheit nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 2, wobei die zweite Breite des Hohlraumes zwischen 1,5 mm bis 1,7 mm am Boden des Hohlraumes beträgt.

4. LCD-Hintergrundbeleuchtungseinheit, umfassend:

eine Lichtführungsplatte; und
eine Mehrzahl von LED-Einheiten mit seitlicher Abstrahlung, die Licht derart emittieren, dass dieses auf die Lichtführungsplatte auftrifft,

wobei jede der LED-Einheiten umfasst:

- einen Körper, der einen Hohlraum mit einer inneren Seitenwand aufweist, die schräg zwischen einem Boden und einer Oberseite hiervon angeordnet ist,
- erste und zweite Leiterrahmen, die in dem Körper angeordnet sind, wobei der Hohlraum des Körpers einen Teil eines jeden der ersten und zweiten Leiterrahmen freilegt, der im Boden des Hohlraumes angeordnet ist,
- einen Leuchtdiodenchip, der am Boden des Hohlraumes angeordnet und elektrisch mit den freiliegenden Teilen der ersten und zweiten Leiterrahmen verbunden ist; und
- eine transparente Einkapselung, die in dem Hohlraum angeordnet ist und den Leuchtdiodenchip umgibt,
- wobei eine Montierhöhe vom Boden des Hohlraumes zu einer Oberseite des Leuchtdiodenchips zwischen 50 μm und 200 μm beträgt und die Tiefe des Hohlraumes zwischen 200 μm und 480 μm beträgt und nicht größer als sechsmal die Montierhöhe ist,
- wobei der Hohlraum eine erste Breite in einer kürzeren axialen Richtung und eine zweite Breite in einer längeren axialen Richtung lotrecht zur kürzeren axialen Richtung aufweist und die zweite Breite des Hohlraumes zwischen 2,0 mm und 2,5 mm am Oberende des Hohlraumes beträgt.
5. LCD-Hintergrundbeleuchtungseinheit nach Anspruch 4, wobei die Leuchtdiodeneinheit weiterhin einen Draht umfasst, um den Leuchtdiodenchip mit wenigstens einem der ersten und zweiten Leiterrahmen elektrisch zu verbinden.
 6. LCD-Hintergrundbeleuchtungseinheit nach Anspruch 5, wobei der Draht ein Ende aufweist, das mit einer Kontaktierungsstelle (bump ball) des Leiterrahmens verbunden ist, und das andere Ende mittels Stitch-Bonding mit dem Leuchtdiodenchip verbunden ist.
 7. LCD-Hintergrundbeleuchtungseinheit nach Anspruch 6, wobei der Draht auf eine Weise angeordnet ist, dass eine Höhe von einer Oberseite des Leuchtdiodenchips zu einem Oberende des Drahtes 100 μm oder weniger beträgt.
 8. LCD-Hintergrundbeleuchtungseinheit nach einem der Ansprüche 4 bis 7, wobei die zweite Breite des Hohlraumes am Boden des Hohlraumes zwischen 1,5 mm und 1,7 mm beträgt.
 9. LCD-Hintergrundbeleuchtungseinheit nach einem der Ansprüche 4 bis 8, wobei eine Höhe von der Oberseite des Leuchtdiodenchips zu einem Oberende des Hohlraumes 320 μm oder weniger beträgt.

10. LCD-Hintergrundbeleuchtungseinheit nach einem der Ansprüche 4 bis 9, wobei die transparente Einkapselung ein fluoreszentes Material enthält.

11. Leuchtdiodeneinheit nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 3, wobei die Tiefe des Hohlraumes zwischen 250 μm und 400 μm beträgt.

12. LCD-Hintergrundbeleuchtungseinheit nach einem der Ansprüche 4 bis 10, wobei die Tiefe des Hohlraumes zwischen 250 μm und 400 μm beträgt.

Revendications

1. Boîtier de diode électroluminescente à émission latérale adapté à une utilisation comme unité de rétroéclairage, comprenant :

- un corps de boîtier comportant une cavité avec une paroi intérieure inclinée entre un bas et un haut de la cavité ;
- des première et seconde grilles de connexion agencées dans le corps de boîtier ;
- une puce de diode électroluminescente montée sur le fond de la cavité et électriquement connectée à une partie de chacune des première et seconde grilles de connexion exposées au fond de la cavité ; et
- un encapsulant transparent agencé dans la cavité entourant la puce de diode électroluminescente,
- dans lequel une hauteur de montage du fond de la cavité à une surface supérieure de la puce de diode électroluminescente est de 50 μm à 200 μm et la profondeur de la cavité est de 200 μm à 480 μm et ne dépasse pas six fois la hauteur de montage,
- dans lequel la cavité a une première largeur dans une direction axiale plus courte et une seconde largeur dans une direction axiale plus longue perpendiculaire à la direction axiale plus courte et la seconde largeur de la cavité est de 2,0 mm à 2,5 mm à l'extrémité supérieure de la cavité.

2. Boîtier de diode électroluminescente selon la revendication 1, dans lequel une hauteur de la surface supérieure de la puce de diode électroluminescente à une extrémité supérieure de la cavité est de 320 μm ou moins.

3. Boîtier de diode électroluminescente selon l'une des revendications 1 ou 2, dans lequel la seconde largeur de la cavité est de 1,5 mm à 1,7 mm au fond de la cavité.

4. Unité de rétroéclairage de LCD comprenant :

- une plaque de guide de lumière ; et
 - une pluralité de boîtiers de LED à émission latérale émettant une lumière incidente sur la plaque de guide de lumière,
 - dans laquelle chacun des boîtiers de LED comprend
 - un corps de boîtier comportant une cavité avec une paroi latérale intérieure inclinée entre un bas et un haut de celle-ci,
 - des première et seconde grilles de connexion agencées dans le corps de boîtier, la cavité du corps de boîtier exposant une partie de chacune des première et seconde grilles de connexion placées dans le fond de la cavité ;
 - une puce de diode électroluminescente montée sur le fond de la cavité et électriquement connectée auxdites parties exposées des première et seconde grilles de connexion ; et
 - un encapsulant transparent agencé dans la cavité entourant la puce de diode électroluminescente,
 - dans lequel une hauteur de montage du fond de la cavité à une surface supérieure de la puce de diode électroluminescente est de 50 μm à 200 μm et la profondeur de la cavité est de 200 μm à 480 μm et ne dépasse pas six fois la hauteur de montage, et
 - dans lequel la cavité a une première largeur dans une direction axiale plus courte et une seconde largeur dans une direction axiale plus longue perpendiculaire à la direction axiale plus courte et la seconde largeur de la cavité est de 2,0 mm à 2,5 mm à l'extrémité supérieure de la cavité.
5. Unité de rétroéclairage de LCD selon la revendication 4, dans laquelle le boîtier de diode électroluminescente comprend en outre un fil pour connecter électriquement la puce de diode électroluminescente à au moins une des première et seconde grilles de connexion.
6. Unité de rétroéclairage de LCD selon la revendication 5, dans laquelle le fil comporte une extrémité connectée à une bille de soudure de la grille de connexion et l'autre extrémité liée par suture à la puce de diode électroluminescente.
7. Unité de rétroéclairage de LCD selon la revendication 6, dans laquelle le fil est agencé de telle manière qu'une hauteur d'une surface supérieure de la puce de diode électroluminescente à une extrémité supérieure du fil soit de 100 μm ou moins.
8. Unité de rétroéclairage de LCD selon l'une des revendications 4 à 7, dans laquelle la seconde largeur de la cavité est de 1,5 mm à 1,7 mm au fond de la cavité.
9. Unité de rétroéclairage de LCD selon l'une des revendications 4 à 8, dans laquelle une hauteur de la surface supérieure de la puce de diode électroluminescente à une extrémité supérieure de la cavité est de 320 μm ou moins.
10. Unité de rétroéclairage de LCD selon l'une des revendications 4 à 9, dans laquelle l'encapsulant transparent contient un matériau fluorescent.
11. Boîtier de diode électroluminescente selon l'une des revendications 1 à 3, dans lequel la profondeur de la cavité est de 250 μm à 400 μm .
12. Unité de rétroéclairage de LCD selon l'une des revendications 4 à 10, dans laquelle la profondeur de la cavité est de 250 μm à 400 μm .

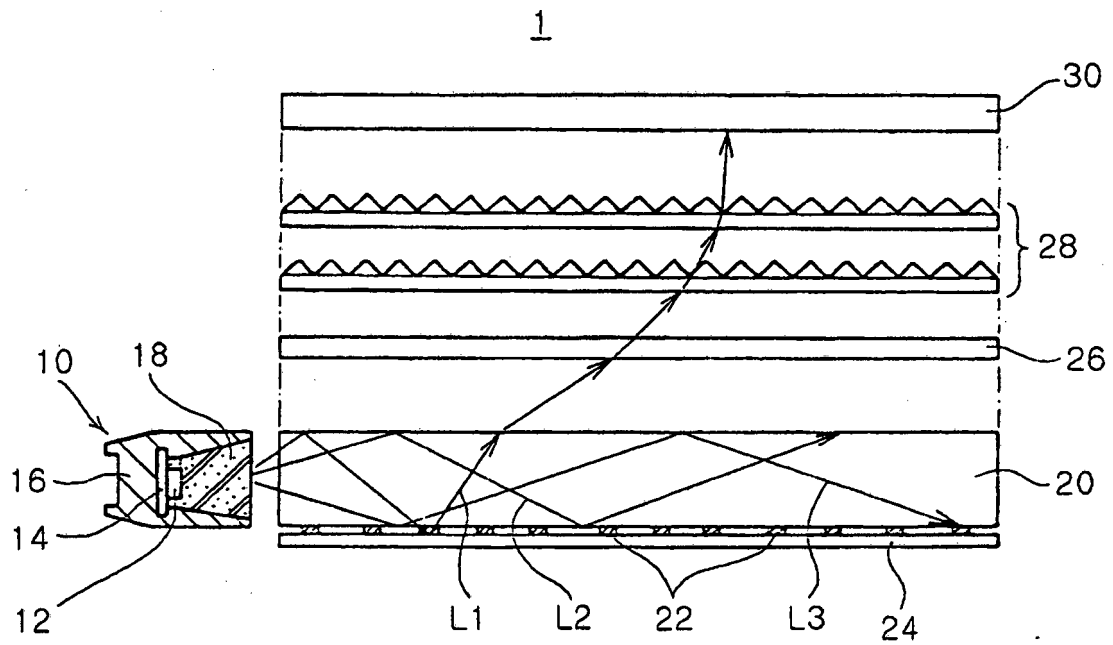


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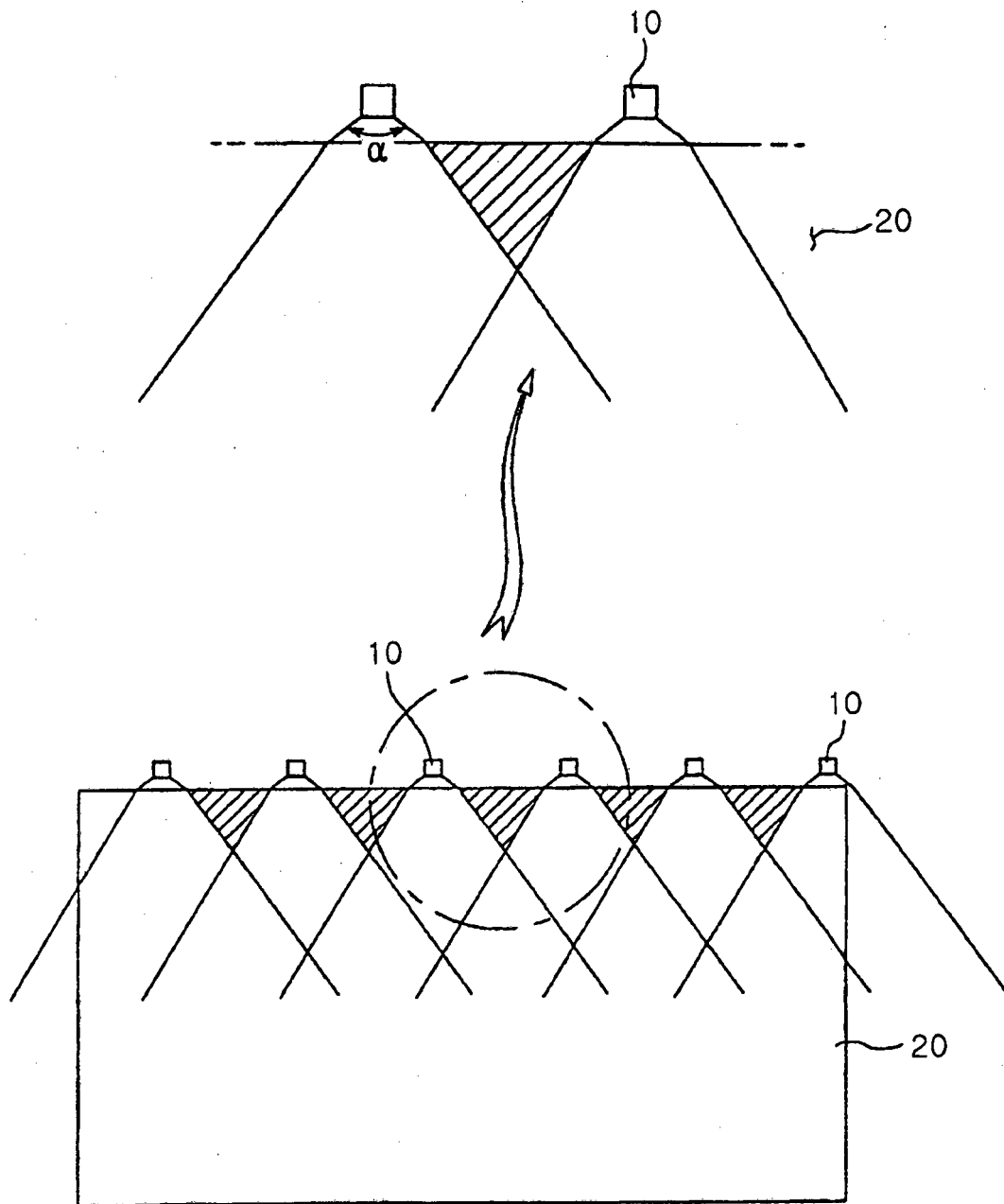


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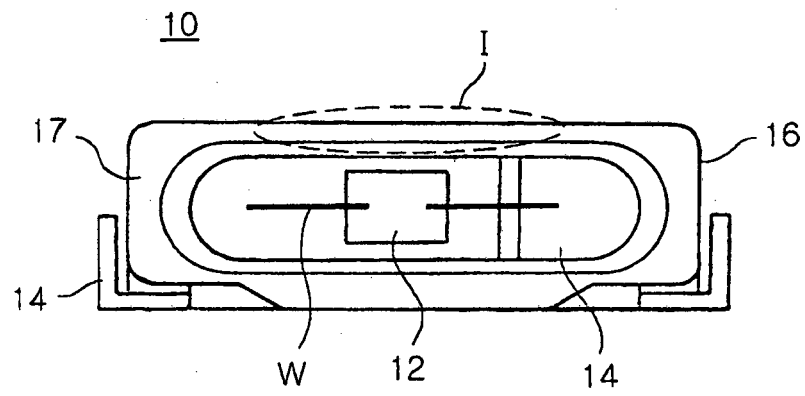


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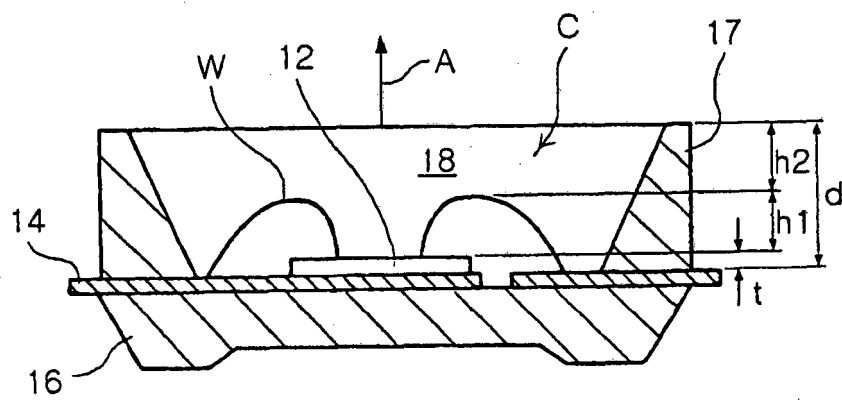


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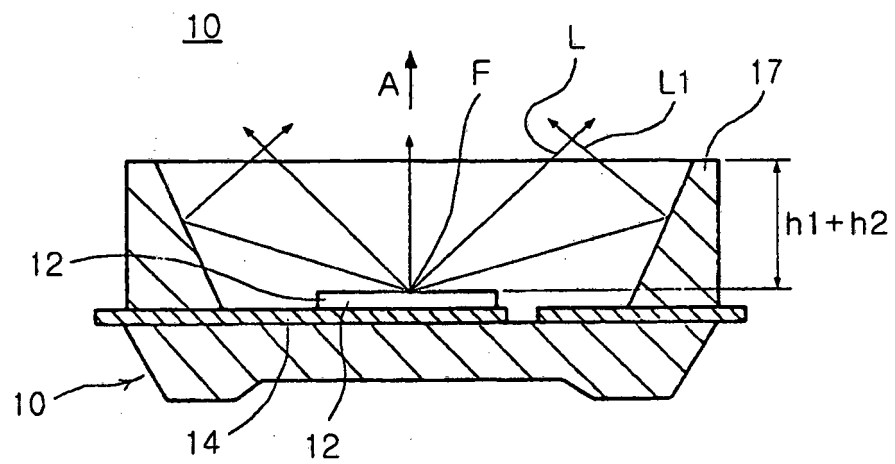


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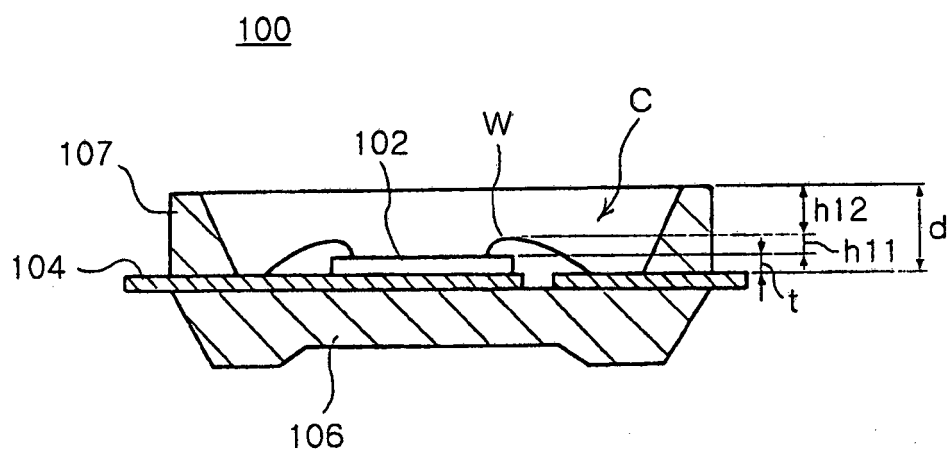


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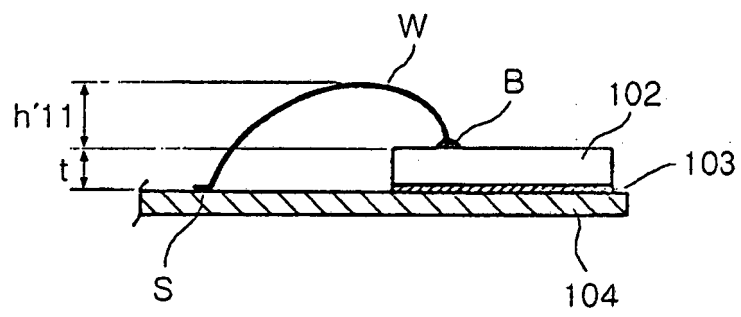


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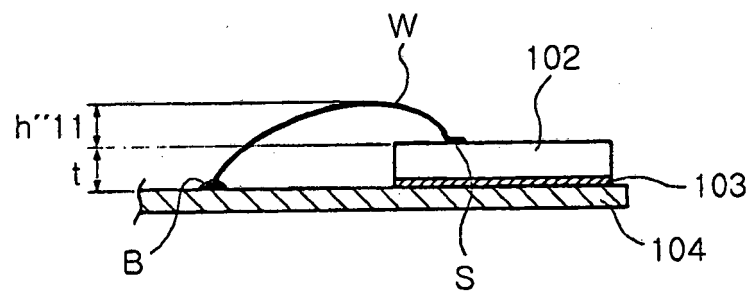


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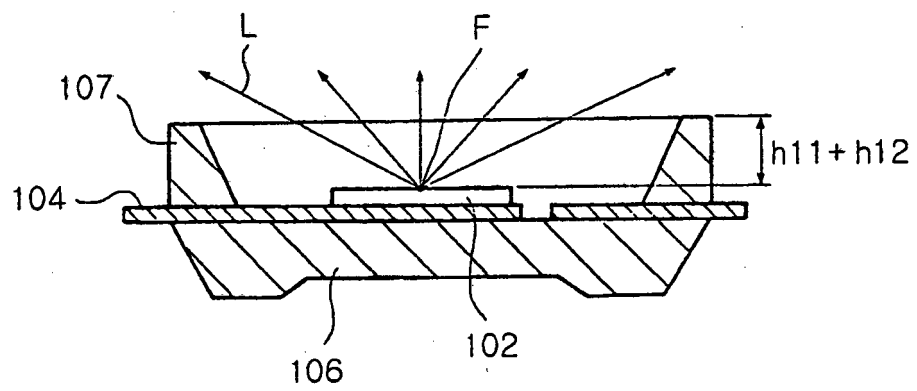


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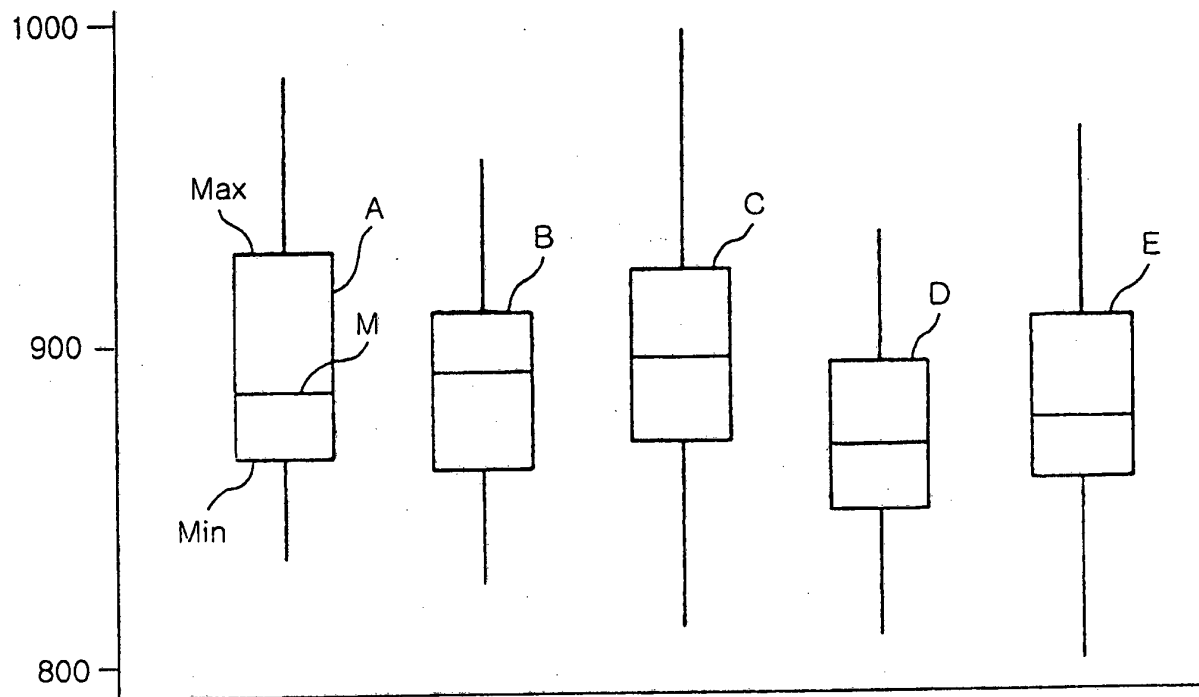


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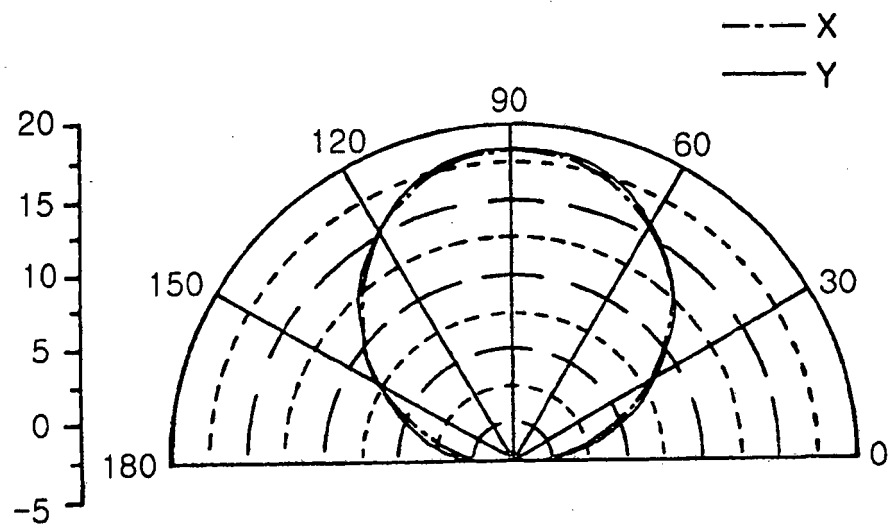


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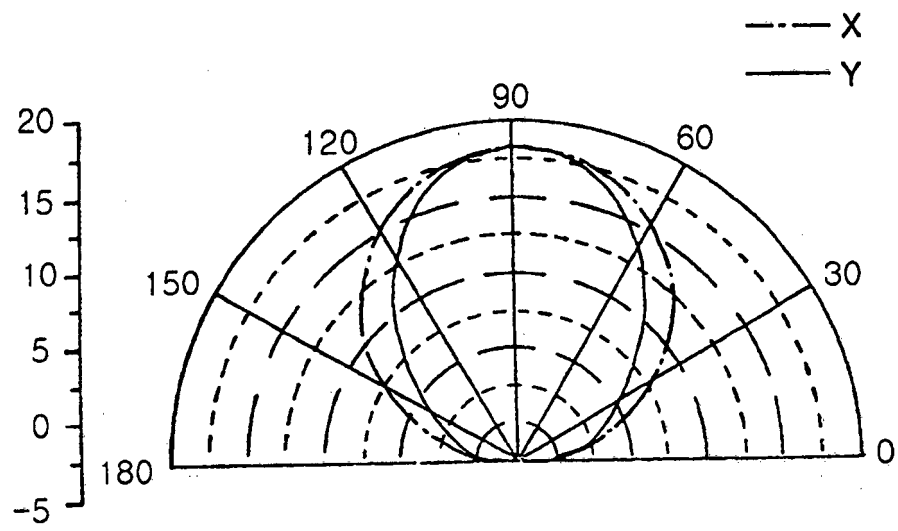


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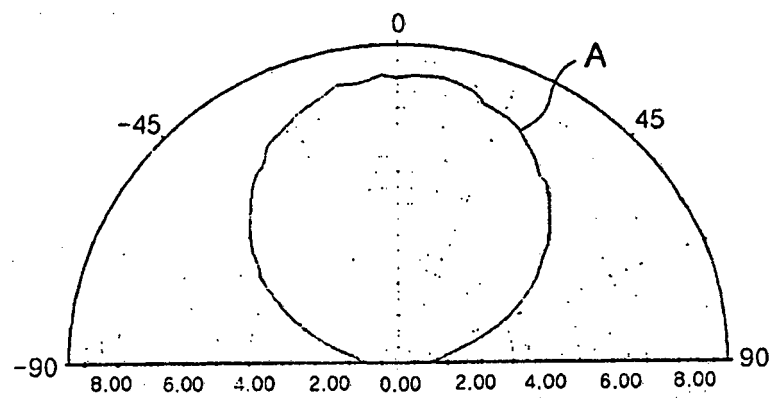


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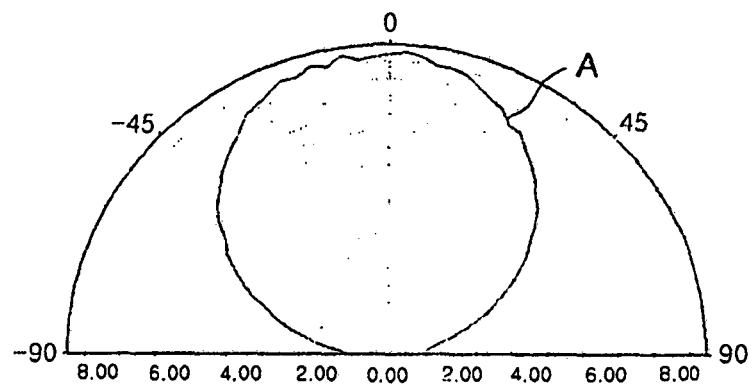


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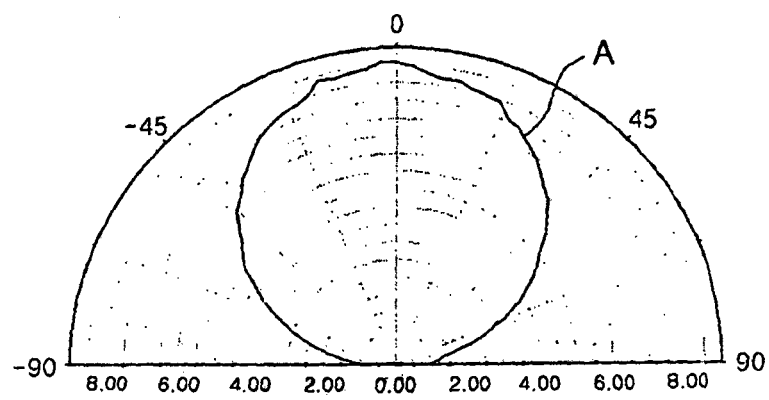


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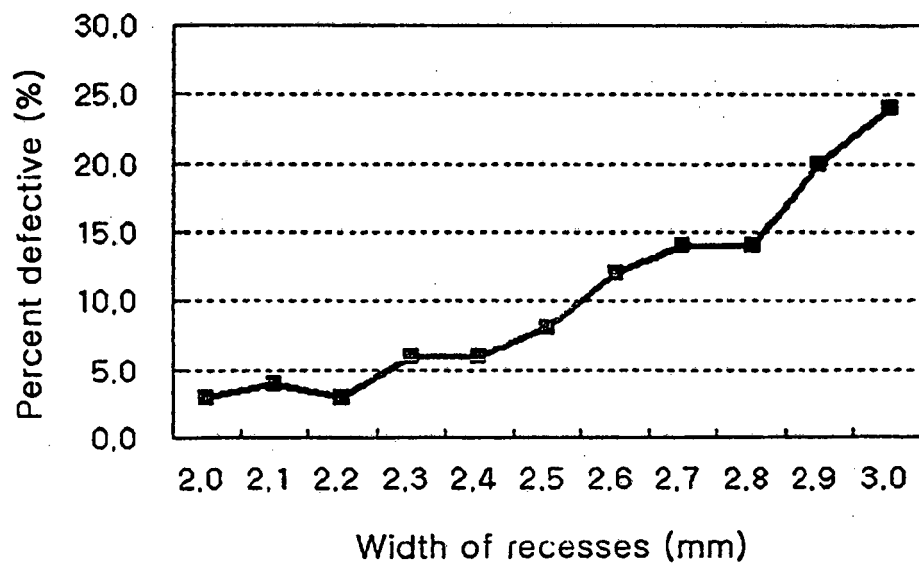


FIG. 16

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